



## **Appendix 2**

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Appendix to: Milner AJ, Maheen H, Bismark MM, Spittal MJ. Suicide by health care professionals: a retrospective mortality study in Australia, 2001–2012. *Med J Aust* 2016; 205: 260–265. doi: 10.5694/mja15.01044.

## Appendix 2: Crude rates of suicide for health professionals and other occupations, Australia, 2001–2012

	All persons	Men	Women
<b>Other occupations</b>			
Number of suicides	9459	8172	1287
Population*	8 060 397	4 441 462	3 618 935
Age (mean)	40.3	40.4	39.6
Crude suicide rate <sup>†</sup>	9.8	15.3	3.0
<b>Other health professionals</b>			
Number of suicides	74	47	27
Population*	88 633	34 800	53 833
Age (mean)	43.9	45.8	40.7
Crude suicide rate <sup>†</sup>	7.0	11.3	4.2
<b>Medical doctors</b>			
Number of suicides	79	62	17
Population*	53 672	34 649	19 023
Age (mean)	44.7	46.3	39.0
Crude suicide rate <sup>†</sup>	12.3	14.9	7.4
<b>Midwife and nurse</b>			
Number of suicides	216	49	167
Population*	198 961	17 710	181 251
Age range	44.1	41.6	44.8
Crude suicide rate <sup>†</sup>	9.0	23.1	7.7

\* Australian Bureau of Statistics 2006 census data. Data for health professionals excludes non-clinicians (see Methods in article). † Rate per 100 000 person-years. Other health professionals: nutrition professionals, medical imaging professionals, occupational and environmental health professionals, optometrists and orthoptists, pharmacists, other health diagnostic and promotion professionals; chiropractors and osteopaths, complementary health therapists, dental practitioners, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, podiatrists, audiologists and speech pathologists/therapists, psychologists.